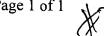


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Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Nonprovisional Application dated April 5, 2002, we enclose herewith the executed declaration which was omitted at the time of filing the above-captioned application, which was filed on March 4, 2002 in the names Peter ENGHAUSER and Gert SEIDEL.

Please charge the surcharge of \$130 to Deposit Account No. 25-0120. A duplicate copy of this paper is enclosed for this purpose.

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Please note that the priority date of the corresponding German application is given incorrectly.

Attached hereto is a new Application Data Sheet.

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